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The Wind-Swept Wheat.

Faint, faint and clear-Faint as the music that dreams we hear-Shaking the curtain-fold of sleen That shuts away

The world's hoarse voice-the sighs and sounds of day, Her sorry joys, her phantoms, false and fleet-So softly, softly stirs The wind's low murmur in the rippled wheat.

The warm breath blows, the slender heads droop low.

As if in prayer. Again, more lightly tossed in merry play, They bend and bow and sway, With measured beat. But never rest. Through shadow and through

Goes on the tender rustle of the wheat. Dreams more than sleep

Falls on the listening heart, and lull its car Dead years sent back Some treasured, half-forgotten time.

Ah, long ago, When sun and sky were sweet, nhappy noon, We stood, breast high, 'mid waves of ripene

And heard the wind make music in the wheat! Not for to-day-

Not for this hour alone-the melody, So soft and ceaseless, thrills the dreame

Of all that was and is, of all that yet shall It holds a part-Love sorrow, longing, pain; The restlessness that yearns;

The thirst that burns: The bliss that, like a fountain, overflows; The deep repose:

Good that we might have known, but sh not know: The hope God took, the joy he made complete Life's chords all answer from the wind-sweps

seminary, though my accomplishments may not have led you to think so. I don't suppose I reflect much credit on that institution. Most of my time there was spent in trying to do as little studying and have as much fun as possible, and there were a good many other girls there who went through the course on the same principle. I suppose I was one of the worst of the lot, and the dis-

and some had two or three. And then seven or eight of the girls all had the same one. These fellows used to hang around the iron gate after dark, and steal brief moments of blissful and surreptitious converse through the railings with the objects of their adoration in the garden. Old Betty, who answered the gate bell, I have no doubt, turned a

very pretty penny by conveying secret missives between the pupils and the jeunesse doree outside. Mind you, I don't speak from personal experience of though, was the Killjoy affair. I must

tell you about that.

Professor Killjoy, you know, was the professor of history and philology, and he was certainly well named, for a more sour and lugubrious-looking man you never saw. He wasn't half as bad as he looked. though, but all the girls used to hate him, chiefly on account of the horrid and rubbishy stuff he tried to teach us. The professor had one hobby, and that was "antiquities." He had on of the large rooms in the lower hall fitted up as a museum, and here he had the mustiest old collection of ancient arms and pottery, and tapestry, and basreliefs and what not, that you ever came across in your life. It was just like an history class in there once a week, and lecture to them on the "cuneform character" and the "age of Rameses," as it any of us cared how old Rameses was,

or whether he had any character, "cuneform " or otherwise Down at one end of the room was the professor's especial pet. This was a whole suit of rusty steel armor—helmet, breastplate, gauntlets and all-and the professor had it mounted on a frame on pedestal, with a big battle-ax in its

It was an awful affair to look at, and if you were to come upon it unexpectedly on a moonlight night, it was just the thing to frighten you half out of your wits. The professor said it was very valuable, and once belonged to a knight

who had fought in the first crusade.
"This, ladies," he would say, "is the veritable armor of the famous John of Orleans, better known in history as the Black Warrior, who perished at the siege of Jerusalem. How many of you can give me an outline of the historic event in which he lost his life?" There was generally a dead silence after this, and the professor would close

book with a sigh and dismiss the But it was about little Annie Killjoy

that I wanted to tell you. Annie was the professor's niece. She entered the seminary quite unexpectedly in the middle of the term, and it was soon whispered about among the girls that most of the others acquired after they me there—that is, a lover; and that the had been sent to the school by her parents, who lived at a distance, in order so separate her from her betrothed, and to break up the match.

Annie herself did not deny it, and, course, a:l our sympathies were enlisted for her at once, especially as it was generally understood that the gentleman in the case was a young, struggling lawyer,

sweet and lovable little thing, with blue mouth-just the kind to make friends and to drive all the young men distracted

about her.
She had a lonesome time of it, though for she was not allowed to room with any of the other girls, but was assigned a dormitory next to her uncle's. The excuse made by the matron was that there were no vacancies elsewhere, but weall knew that it was because the professor wanted to keep her as closely as possible under his own eye.

moped and pined, and looked the very picture of desolation. The roses faded out of her cheeks and she came to the recitations with her eyes all red, as it she had been crying. Suddenly, however, she recovered her spirits and became the blithest and apparently the of fashion, besides being rather cumhappiest girl in school. The change in her was so surprising that all the girls noticed it, and we knew that, somehor or other. Annie had heard good news.

talking to her in the hall. much to see that you are becoming content of the local tented with your lot here, and are reupright boiler, no cab, six inch inclined as his father and grandfather. Jerome

-well, really, I didn't mean to confess all that, but never mind, I'm not going anybody through the bars or not, so you needn't ask me. As I was saying, when I went out to the gate, somebody on the other side suddenly sprang up to it and reached through the grating. It was so dark that I couldn't distinguish his features; I only knew that it was nobody that I expected to meet. He stretched his hand out to me in a wild

sort of a way, and exclaimed: Annie! I drew back and said, in a half-whisper, "Don't make so much noise. It is an old tradition about this temple and not Annie."

"Not the asked, shaking it impatiently.
"Not that I know of," I answered.
"The matron takes the key out every night, and all the doors and windows in tne building are fastened on the inside. This last piece of information was gratuitous, but I thought it might inter-

est him.
"You're not a burglar, are you?" I

He moved away and put his finger on his lips.
"Mum's the word," he said, and dis-

appeared in the shadows.

The next afternoon the regular semiweekly lecture to the history-class took place in the museum. I think the subpect was "The Prehistoric Roots of the Phœnician Alphabet," or something of that kind, and you may be sure that we of the streets, we saw none but men and were all glad enough when it was over.

It didn't seem to me to be a very exciting subject, but Annie Killjoy, who sat next to me, appeared to be in a perfect tremor during the entire lecture. She was white as a sheet, and her eyes

Of the streets, we saw none out men and very old women sitting in front of their dismal house doors.

There were shops where they sold oil, contained in just such huge clay as one sees at Pompeii; public cooks trying their meats at the threshold of their forms doors. fect tremor during the entire to she was white as a sheet, and her eyes their front door; lamps both of clay and looked so big and bright and excited bronze, of Pompeian shape; bread on bronze, of the precise pat-

class in a scared sort of way as though Yes, girls, I graduated at Rossmore she half expected every moment to see John of Orleans rise his battle-ax in dis gust and squelch the professor and the Phœnician alphabet at the same blow. Her eyes took that direction so frequently that after a while I began looking that way, and all at once I seen something that made my heart almost

leap out of my body.

The Black Warrior was alive!
Yes, there was certainly a man in the armor. I saw his eye glittering through

almost fiercely and whispered word, or I am lost," That night, when the lights were rung out, I told my room mate, Sallie Hig-gins, that I intended to lie down with

There is mystery in the air," I said, " and if I am not mistaken, there will be a sensation in this academy before morning. For my part, I sha'n't go to bed until I see it out, and I advise you, i you want some fun, to sit up with me. refrained from asking any questions, and midnight, one of us sitting up in the dark, while the other slept on the outo'clock in the morning, when the build-ing, had become silent as the grave. I neard a door softly open and close, and the rustle of a woman's dress in the hall. This was followed by a thumping noise on the floor below, like that made

by a person walking on stilts.

There was a clanking sound, and more thumping, and then I heard the professor's door open, and I thought it was time to awaken Sally and run into

"There are burgiars in the house?" he exclaimed, in an evident quiver of extempted to shrick, but I put my hand on her mouth and stopped her.
"If there are," I said, "there is no need to frighten everybody in the

"There are in the museum," said the professor, trembling. "I have been listening, and am positive they are in

the museum."
"Let us go and see," I said, bravely; but at this moment the door of the mu-seum opened, and by the light of the hall-lamp, which had been left burning dimly, we saw, on looking over the banisters, the figure of the Black Warrior cautiously emerge, lifting his feet as though a twenty-pound weight was at tling at every step. I could no longer restrain Sally's terror, and she shrieked with all her might. The professor sank down upon the stairs, pale as ashes.

whispered, faintly.

The Warrior looked up at us, and staggered back against the wall. The presence of mind, however, which he had so signally displayed at the siege of Jerusalem did not long forsake him now. With a stamp of his mailed foot he struck a ferocious attitude, swung his battle-ax around his head, and yelled a terrific "Aha-a-a-a-a!"

Then with a rush he gained the front door, demolished the lock with a few gone before the terrified professor could As the knight stamped off into the

darkness there was another rush from behind the door, and I saw, though the woman's skirt vanishing in the warrior's train. Then came the sound of another smash at the garden-gate and the heavy roll of wheels, and I comprehended the was that Annie Killjoy and her precious young scamp of a lawyer had eloped. Of course Sallie's shrieks produced great commotion, and the whole school

was in an uproar for the rest of the In the morning we found the lock to the great garden-gate siso broken, and they slip out of the world at least withthe gate, of course, open.

and wholly unable attend to any recitations that by the principal and a precious mess he made of it. I think 'he professor grieved more for that lot of rubbishy old iron than he did for his niece. However, on the second day after ward, he received a letter from Annie. nouncing her marriage to "Fred," and begging her uncle's forgiveness. There was a postscript at the bottom by Fred himself, to say that, although John of Orlean's clothing fitted him tolerably well, he found it to be several years out bersome for that season; and he there fore returned the suit by express, with

es me imported. The locomotive in question, tented with your lot here, and are reagining your good spirits. Shall I write to your purents that you are entirely cured of your foolish infatuation for the young mant of whom they wrote to me?"

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"I think you may sir if you wish."

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An Old Sicilian Town.

It is a very old place, with narrow treets going up and down by means of wide, stone paved stairs, which prevent any carriages. The walls of the houses, which are never more than two stories high, seemed crumbling to dust, and re-mind us more of Pompeii as it looks now than any other old town; the interiors were mere dark holes, crowded by a rural population. There is but one object of antiquity, a church, of which the walls and most of the columns once belonged to a temple of Vesta. There is

not Annie."
"I beg your pardon," he said. "I—
I thought it was Miss Killjoy. For heaven's sake tell no one that you have have the Roman empire, the strict religious laws and customs were so far rejous laws and seen me."

"Of course I won't," I replied; "for I laxed that whenever any one of the vestal virgins was discovered faithless to her vows, instead of being buried age, of Fountain by a rattlesnake. relegated to this temple of Vesta on Mount Eryx, where, at length, she and others like her intermarried with the priests and people of the place, who were of Trojan origin. From their union descended the present population. This, of course, is a mere tradition, yet it is supported by a very curious physion logical fact. The natives of this mounasked, trying to get a glimpse of his face as he turned it toward me in the gloom.

"No; I'm a lawyer."

"Oh!" said I.

He moved away and put his finger on logical fact. The natives of this mountain town have more of the old Roman type of face and person than any of the other two millions of people that inhabit Sicily. The women are famous for their beauty, their fair complexions, logical fact. The natives of this mountain town have more of the old Roman type of face and person than any of the other two millions of people that inhabit Sicily. The women are famous for their beauty, their fair complexions, logical fact. The natives of this mountain town have more of the old Roman type of face and person than any of the other two millions of people that inhabit Sicily. The women are famous for their beauty, their fair complexions, logical fact. The natives of this mountain the picking huckleberries, was attacked by an enormous blacksnake, of the picking huckleberries, was attacked by an enormous blacksnake, of the reptile tightly about the neck and screamed for help. The snake

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wheat. — Christian Union.

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A Mongol Encampment. A correspondent in China says: At a first glimpse a Mongol encampment appears to be a collection of gigantic ant hills with smoke issuing from the tops. As we get nearer, the forms of human beings, of a multitude of camels, dogs, sheep and ponies are visible. The Mongols have an instinctive knowledge of where water is to be found. A pure, limpid mountain brook was running at cipline there didn't improve any of us a bit. In fact, I believe we would all have behaved better if there hadn't been quite so much discipline.

Yes, there was certainly a man in the armor. I saw his eye glittering through the bars of the rusty visor, and I am the base of the hill where the tents were confident that when it met mine it pitched. A beautiful stretch of pasture confident that when it met mine it lead upon which the spirals were green. land upon which the animals were graz-Romances! Ot course there were romances. Did you ever hear of a female seminary without romances?

Every girl in the school had a lover, guide informed the man that we were traveling to Suchowfoo on service, and rellis work, covered with thick felt. ter bushels of bran were required for made from goat's hair, circular in form, the operation. made from goat's hair, circular in form. the roof let out the smoke from the argol fire, which burns all day in the center of the tent. At night this aperture is closed.
The door is about five feet high, and cannot be entered without stooping. In diameter the rent is fifteen feet. A piece of felt hanging serves to close the entrance at night No seats were visible, so, squatting on the ground, our guide. who spoke Tangutan, asked us if we wished something to eat. Catching a glimpse of the dirty vessels lying around us, we deemed it advisable to use our said to have great curative powers. method of cleansing their wooden cups, which they carry upon their persons, i to scrape them with their finger nails, while the plates are cleaned with the tongue as a dog licks a platter. A large iron pan was over the fire together with a teakettle, which is boiling all day, an I from which we drank to our host. Into the large pan one of the women poured some sour milk, and taking a handful o until the mass became the consistency of paste. We, on our part, produced

some cold mutton, which, with the porridge, proved acceptable.

Doctors with an established practice, that pays well, do not of course, want to be called out at night. These men make it a rule to refuse to go out if they are called. Some of them have a sort o staff of younger men, to whom they turn over night calls and others to which they cannot attend. But not on the gratis principle. They have an under-standing with the younger men that they shall get part of the fee, though they do none of the work. If the fee is three dollars, they take a third: if it is five dollars, they expect two of the five, and so on up the scale. But these are small matters. We have a number of doctors in New York who never go out for less than ten dollars, and some who heard of cases where the fee for a single visit was \$100, and where operations are performed it is sometimes as high as \$500, though these instances are rare. There are doctors in New York whose income runs from \$25,000 to \$40,000 every year, and they do not work very hard either. Their hard work is all done before the income grows large. Usually it takes a doctor about ten years

to build up a paying practice. He may make a living from the start, but he can't lay up any money till he has spent a de-cade in making a place for himself in the profession. When the place is once made, all ahead is smooth and easy. On the other hand we have scores of pretty good doctors here in Gotham, who never get ahead at all. They are just as poor and just as far behind at fifty or sixty as they were at thirty. But you will find the same kind of men at every calling. but can never rise to a higher one, and though all their duties, such as they happen to be, are faithfully performed, out being missed. All the professional ranks are well supplied with such men, and a good many are to be found even in the church.—New York Letter to the Detroit Free Press.

The statutes and ashes of the Napoleons have suffered strange vicissitudes. Twice has the statute of first Napoleon, which stands in the Place Vendome been dragged to the ground, first by royalists, then by radicals, only to be re-erected, while his ashes were re-stored to France on the demand of another dynasty, to be respected even during the commune. Louis, the exremains from Greabole to St. Leu, to which his own ashes were in time removed from Italy. The eldest son of Louis, regarded by Napoleon as his heir,

WHERE SNAKES ARE PLENTY.

the bite of a rattlesnake.

Numerous Stories about the Reptiles Gathered from Many Sources At Alma, Kansas, a man named hutz fell dead of heart disease, caused by fright at a snake. The little son of Henry Leals, of Pattersburg, Kansas, died recently from

Willie Archibald, of Brookfield Township, Ohio, ten years of age, died from the bite of a copperhead snake. A son of Joseph Thompson, of Butler county, Kansas, died a horrible death from the bite of a copperhead snake. Five Italian woodcutters near Chero-

age, of Fountain City, Minn., was bitten by a rattlesnake, they killed a chicken and bound it upon the wound, but it did not save her life.

When Lizzle Haener, sixteen years of words has used during the summer will be among the most popular colors next winter.

The new woolen handkerchiefs are a yard square, which is the whole width When Lizzie Haeffer, sixteen years of

In Reading, Pa., a copperhead snake thirty seven inches long was found to contain eighty-eight young snakes, all alive, and four to six inches in length,

Zach Mansfield, of Hart county, Ky. buts. There are also many blonds with blue eyes among them—a type never seen in the true Sicilian race.

We had heard this story, and were We had heard this story, and were upon a huge yellow and spotted snake some ten feet long and six inches in diameter. The snake chased him, and he had lively work to save himself. There is or exhibition at Dallas, Texas, the photograph of a rattlesnake recently killed in a garden at Farmersville. It has the counterfeit presentment of a child's face clearly traceable in the hide of the snake's head.

A lively fight between a blacksnake and a rabbit, at Blue Ridge, Va., grew out of the snake's attempting to dine upon the rabbit's young. She bit the reptile until it was compelled to release its new and crewl into its day. its prey and crawl into its den.

H. L. Patty, while riding on horseback in the Santiago canon, came upon a rattlesnake in the road, and had just taken his foot from the stirrup when the snake struck, imbedding its fangs in the stirrup leather. Mr. Patty killed the snake, which was one of the largest of its species, its body being as thick as a man's leg.

William Drake, of Wartsborough, N. Y., while in the mountain near the village, came upon a rattlesnake, who immediately showed fight. There was no chance of escape for Mr. Drake. Keeping up an incessant rattling, the snake struck at Drake repeatedly, but in every instance he managed to avoid its stroke, and in half an hour killed the reptile. It measured six feet five and one-half

inches in length. deep growls and barking of the dogs, bowling Green, Ky., has the chamber who soon brought out the occupants to pion spotted snake. H. B. Wilkins it while cutting grass. sured nine feet seven inches in length by eiguteen inches in circumference Dissection revealed twenty-three eggs pitality being one of the few virtues a two full grown and eight half grown Mongol possesses, we were speedily rats, two young rabbits, four chickens welcomed. The tent into which we passed was composed of a frame of light skinned and stuffed. Four and a quar-

John Geer, of Basket Station, Pa., has killed over one hundred rattlesnakes within the past three months. He always carries a crotched stick. he comes upon a snake, he carefully places the crotch over the reptile's neck, sires to keep the snake alive, he removes the poison by the aid of instruments made for the purpose. He has a regular process for abstracting the oil from the bodies. The oil is very valuable, and sells readily for \$1 per ounce. It is

" Feel o' My Pulse."

"Feel o' my pulse; feel o' my pulse, quick," gasped a seedy, cadaverouslooking man as he staggered into the Eagle's local room yesterday afternoon. The city editor eved him with suspicion, and then told one of the reporters to accommodate him.
"Find it weak, eh?" whispered she

thin tramp. "Find it fluttering like, "No," responded the reporter. "Take my respiration," moaned the

"That seems to be strong, too," remarked the reporter, smelling at it cautiously. "Fetch me two ounces of water," ghed the tramp. "Fetch me two sighed the tramp. "Fetch tounces of spring water, quick." joined the reporter; "what's the matter with you, anyway?" "I'm a faster. Haven't eaten anything for forty months and forty

nights."
"Well, what of it? What do you want."
"Hire a hall and have me watched. I'm on my forty-first month and I'm liable to eat at any minute unless I'm carefully guarded. Watch me till my time's

'About when will that be?" asked the city editor.
"I'm going a hundred months on a bet with the chief of police. Say, you fellows want to make some money?

'How?' "Just bet that I don't do it that you dassent set a meal before me without my cleaning it up in forty seconds, and then set up the grub. You can win any amount you want

"But who are we to bet with?" you want to win wealth, I tell you." He isn't here. "That's so; I forgot that. Bet with me. I can afford to lose. I'll bet you dassent set a meal before me consistin of steaks, and chops, and turkey, and chicken, and eggs and ham, and mush and milk, and bread and coffee, and hard tack and pie, and pudding and rolls, and bacon and clams and lobsters. Bet you half a dollar. Bet you

anything you like."
"I reckon not. Don't case to bet." lose some money somehow.

Don't you want to have me watched better go somewhere else.' "Let me have a couple o' ounces o' water, spring water?" "Haven't got it, I told you."

"Want to take my respiration again "No, I got all I want." "Get out, will you?"
"Got any old papers you don't want?" "Somebody put this fellow out,"howled the city editor.

"Haven't got the San Juan Fernandez picked himself up in the counting-room. that in A "Icalled for the money for that article trouble.

FOR THE FAIR SEX. Fashion Notes.

Mummy-cloths of fine pure wool, and in stylish dark colors, are offered for winter.

The crown and brim of the bonnet this fall are smoothly covered with beaded net. All feathers used in the new bonnets are fastened but once—that is, at the stems—and the tips are left loose. Suits in dark colors are being made for dressy purposes. Surah glaces and changeable fabrics are used for these.

It is said that the cinnamon shade Worth has used during the summer will

out cutting the square apart. For the street dark shades of cash mere are shown in four of the stylish purple shades ranging from mauve to dahlia, all of which have red tints.

Large black silk collars, with flowers painted on them in water colors, like designs on a tan, have made their ap-pearance in New York city. A pretty sast to wear with a white costume can be made of white toile religieuse, finished at the ends with sec-tions of India shawl patterns.

of all kinds will also be worn.

A favorite combination for fall suits is coachman's drab for the principal part of the co-tume, with borderings of shaded stripes of heliotrope and Ophelia. shades (which includes mauves and

Fall bonnets are principally smal copate shapes of plush finished felts and furry beavers. They are trimmed with plaid velvet and feathers and are to be worn far back on the head. Fine all-wool goods with a border for trimming are among recent importa-tions. They come in all the new fall colors, and the borders, which are from

three to five inches wide, are very hand-Uncut or Terry velvet is now shown ent tint from the body of the goods and will be much used next winter for millinery as well as for dress trimming,

lining and facing. The princess dress continues to be worn. Certain alterations are made, such as having a basque in front, and the princess cut in the back, or the universal holiday. The poor and the basque in the back with the princess cut in front. Sometimes it is made in the back with a postillion or long coat-

Fashion Notes

Large collars and fichus are much Shoes grow more fanciful every sea son, and are now embroidered in colors or slashed open to display the hosiery. Pelerines of jet beads are worn with

Large red chenille cords will be used in millinery. Jet and garnet will be used on dresses and bonnets. Bonnets will be trimmed with long and a grand procession moved forth. First came eight standard-bearers with piled silk plush. Strings of new bonnets are of plush lined with satin. Long straight directory mantles are the fall wraps.

Skirts are either very plain or much ruffled and draped. Woolen handkerchief dresses are among the latest importations. Cords and tassels are worn instead of Very small bonnets and very large A succession of small ruffles or

flounces trim the skirts of rich fall cos-Woolen goods bordered on one selvage with stripes are a feature on fall | quay and embarked on the "Bucentaur," goods. "Haven't got any spring water," re-ined the reporter; "what's the matter coral, as well as gold and silver, are

> Japanese parasols formed entirely of peacock's feathers are among attractive novelties. The new metal ornaments for hats and connets are large and very handsomely

Among the most fashionable ball dresses are black tulle toilets embroidered with gold. Plush and furry felt hats and bonnets

are among the first fall productions and importations. There is a tendency toward making sleeves much wider at the wrist than those worn at present.

Bags or reticules carried on the arm or fastened to the waist accompany nearly all new costumes. Long pile silk plush, in bright, dark colors, tipped with white or old gold, Cloth of gold embroidered with pearl, garnet and amber beads, appears among

choice fall importations.

But the German countess, according to my observation, is a plain, domestic the forenoon hours, attired in a simple cap, a heavy key-basket jingling in her hand. She arranges to the minutest detail the meals of the family, the servants municates by a pipe with the dairy house, and the laborers in the "Then I'll bet you five dollars I don't of the house, and the laborers in the eat it. Bet you either way. I want to court, all of whom receive a separate bill of fare. Every article required in "Rather not. Reckon you'd better go | the preparation of these meals, even to servant has so much sugar, tea, and in a hall? Big gate money. Divide coffee per week, which he can consume square. Only got sixty months to go."

"No, I reckon I won't touch it. You'd ious task every housekeeper will admit At dinner the countess appears freshly, but still simply, dressed. After dinner she is seen with knitting in hand, or a great basket of mending by her side, working with as much assiduity, as any American housewife, hardly allowing herself as much time for reading or recreation. Each napkin, towel, etc., is held up against the light, and rigidly inspected; each thin place, even in the coarsest crash towel for kitchen use, is carefully darned. I was much amused, at one place where I visited, to see the themselves to their work with great gusto. The herd consist of some eight daughter of the house, fresh from board-It is exactly a half century since the first locomotive was built in the United States the first which were used being imported. The locomotive in question, that in America we made ourselves less high.

Ram Chandra Bose's address at the Emory grove camp meeting, near Balti-more, caused intense amusement. He gave an account of the marriage relation among the Hindoos, and maintained that a woman might become a widow before she was born. said he, "boys of three and girls of two years of age, and very often boys of five and girls of three, are married, and sometimes even before they are bornthat is, of course, conditionally; and I have known girls that were ushered into the world as widows. A widow is is not allowed to marry, either, but a widower may, and is often compelled to the configures are not quite so low in the tender as they have been, but the tender as they have been, but the tender as they carnot read they carnot talk.

kee, New Mexico, set a lot of wire nooses to catch squirrels, and found in one trap an immense rattlesnake with tures! In the monotony of their lives a quarrel is about the only healthy thing. be among the most popular colors next winter.

You are laughing, but you must remember that quarrels must exist, or nations and politicians would die of inanition.

We have women who with you see called termagants. They quarrel sorges out cutting the square apart.

The Countess of Antrim has effected a diversion. The cards for hor last afternoon "At Home" in Lowndes square were marked "Dipping at 4:30 precisely," and, as may be imagined, this created a considerable excitement. What could be about to happen? Was the countess bent on a bathing party? Was it some American surprise? What

e ligieuse, finished at the ends with sections of India shawl patterns.

Large and finely finished claps, resembling cloak clasps, but more ornate and jeweled, are used to fasten the plush strings of bonnets.

A combination of plain goods with woolen Madras plaid vill be the leading style this fall, and suits of this description are already becoming popular.

Ostrich feathers, long, demi-long and tips, will be used on winter millinery, quite to the exclusion of flowers. Birds of all kinds will also be worn.

them to continue for twenty-one days.

A Gorgeous Festival. A gorgeous festival at Venice was the marriage of the city to the Adriatic sea. It was celebrated every year on Ascension day, and this, too, had its origin in an historical event. In A.D. 1170, Pope Alexander III. was driven from Rome by the Emperor Barbarossa, or Red-beard, and he took refuge in Venice, where he was received with great respect and affection. The with great respect and affection. The emperor demanded that the republic should give him up; but the request was refused.
Barbarossa then sent a fleet of seventy-

five galleys, under the command of his sen, Otho, with orders to destroy all that came in their way. The Doge had only forty galleys; but he was an expert seaman, and drove the emperor's fleet off the coast and took Otho prisoner. After this battle, peace was made, and Frederick consented to come to Venice to be reconciled to the pope. ward the Venetians for their ser vices the pope bestowed on them the sovereignty of the Adriatic sea, and presented the Doge with a ring, saying: "Receive this as a symbol of your sovereignty, and celebrate your espousals with the sea every year." rich put on their gayest dresses and went to witness the marriage of the Doge with the sea. The bells of the city rang from daybreak their most joyful chimes, the canals were thronged with gondolas ornamented with banners. In one of the largest harbors, called La Piazzetta, was anchored a vessel, called the "Bucentaur," which belonged to the Doge. The crew were chosen from among the strongest and har dsomest of the Venetian seamen. The prow of the ship was gilded and ornamented with figures, and in the center was a crimson-velvet tent em-broidered with gold, above which floated noon sounded the door of church was thrown open

white and violet, and six men with sil ver trumpets; then came the officers in the service of the Doge, dressed in their state robes. Next tollowed the musicians, and a deacon carrying a large wax taper sent by the pope, and men bearing the throne and cushions of the Doge. The city magistrates made part of the procession, and, lastly, the Doge himself, in his ducal robes, his mantle of ermine fastened with gold buttons, his robes of blue and cloth of gold; his head covered with the ducal cap of Venice. over which was a crown of gold sparkling with precious stones. The procession advanced slowly up the with the admiral of the Venetian fleet at the helm. As they drew up the anchors all the bells in the city poured forth their most joyful sounds. The large vessel went slowly on, surrounded by numerous barges and gondolas, all filled with people gayly dressed. After the fieet had advanced some distance into the Adriatic, the Doge rose from his throne, walked to the prow of the vessel on a raised gallery and threw into the blue waves a gold ring, saying: "We espouse thee, Oh, Sea, in sign of real and perpetual sovereignty." Then the Doge and his suite attended service in the church of San Nicolas on an-other island, called Lido, and the fleet

returned to Venice, where the grand personages attended a sumptuous repast at the ducal palace.-St. Nicholas.

Churning by Goat Power.

trim and cleanly as the thrifty house-wife's "best room." The butter-room,

mensions, is carpeted (!) and as inviting as a parlor. The apparatus for handling the milk and making the butter is complete in every detail, and is designed

receiving vessel, fitted with a strainer, is located in the milking yard, and com-

in this receiver and that is the end of their duties. The milk passes down

through the pipe to a 200-gallon tank in

through the house from a mountain

spring. The churn holds fifty-two gal-

lons of cream and turns out from 100 to 120 pounds of butte at each churning.

ances being a treading wheel eighteen feet in diameter, which connects with

and operates a shaft running into the dairy-house, and this in turn connecting

with cog wheels working the dashers. Mr. Gow says that the goats, in operat-

ing the wheel, indulge their natural propensity for climbian and they apply

A crowd composed mostly of farmers got to talking politics in a hotel barn on Grand River street a day or two ago. and the dispute grew so hot that two of the party came to blows. The affair had just ended when an old man drove up in a wagon, and he was at once in-The most striking feature of the dairy ranch of F. S. Clough, in San Mateo canyon, is the new dairy house which formed that his son George had been in fight.
"Has he? Has he? And did he have Mr. Clough recently completed at a cost of \$1.500. It is eighteen by thirty-six a fair show?" feet in ground dimensions, finished externally in rustic style, and inside is as

"Yes, he did. In three minutes h was cleaned right out and used up." "Did he make an apology?"
"He did." And said he was in the wrong?

"No; he walked over to the drug Walked, eh! Bully for George! It

the dairy house, whence it is drawn by the dairymen, undergoing, meanwhile, a placed in pans to cool and raise the cream. Water is brought in pipes Bromley's Proposed Champtonship. Samuel Bromley, of Mystic, Conn., better known as "Fat Sam," announces his ability to live for ten days with his mouth and nose hermetically sealed. Those acquainted with Sam see no reason why he should not be able to accom-plish what is coupled with his name, or he is able to breathe for a time without the use of mouth or nostrils, communication between his lungs and the outside world being kept up through his cars. When smoking a cigar he often exhales the smoke through the same ex-traordinary channel, to the profound astonishment of those who are nuaware of this freak of nature. Many persons who have seen the jet of cigar smoke creeping out of his ears are willing to testify to the truth of "Fat Sam's" assertion. Though not particularly fond

TIMELY TOPICS.

We shall never know exactly of what stuff dreams are made. Notwithstanding the unbelief of those who disclaim il superstition, strange cases of occult telegraphy constantly come to the surface. That was a curious one brought out by the death of Miss Faulkner, of Chicago. Her aged mother lives in Ottawa, Canada, and when asked by a correspondent if she had a daughter in Chicago she but into the same correspondent if the had a daughter in the chicago she but into the same correspondent. Chicago, she burst into tears, saying:
"Tell me what is the matter. I dreamed
last night she was dead." On being informed that the dream had indeed been
fulfilled, she wept distressingly. Can
all the schools explain what pictured
the girl as dead in her mother's mind the girl as dead in her mother's mind when her body lay uncared for in a Chicago tenement house.

"The time that is saved be hurrying meals and elsewhere comes out of man's life sooner or later." says a phil-"The time that is saved be hurrying to meals and elsewhere comes out of a man's life sooner or later," says a philosophic paragraphist. It is true, yet in spite of the knowledge the American people go through life on the jump, and boast of it Any town whose citizens incline toward deliberation in their business is considered "dead." Only die. There are many ways in which a incline toward deliberation in their business is considered "dead." Only the places where they all hurry and "splurge" are supposed to be "alive." The popular idea of being alive is being in a hurry. That goes by the name of "business," though absurd haste would be a more appropriate name for it. There is no time saved by hurrying. Whatever is gathered up in small quantities is clipped off at the end of life in a solid piece.

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"Salmest rm, or some costly animal may die. There are many ways in which a show may suffer dead loss. The worst of it is that they cannot be guarded against."

"What are the heaviest items of a show's expenses?"

"The salaries. The sum paid to the Japanese troupe in our combination would run an ordinary circus. Then the Indians, taking the matter of board alone at an average of but \$1.50 per day each, during the season, cost \$6,600 for a season, besides their salaries. A first class rider, like Miss Kate Stokes, gets \$150 a week."

"Still, these are fancy salaries, are

Women and children are employed in tolerably large numbers in the English mines. Out of 18,795 persons engaged above ground about the metalliferous mines, 2,193 are women and girls, and in addition there are 317 males of the tender ages of between eight and thirteen. Of girls thirty-six are employed between eight and thirteen years old, thirty-two of whom are in the Cornwall and Devon district. Of girls between

The London World made the startling discovery that kleptemania was common in fashionable society, and that thefts of jewelry, furs and wraps were frequent in the ball rooms and cloak rooms of the West End. Instances were given, names and places being suppressed. Truth followed in the same strain, and told how a light-fingered lady of title stole a sable cloak from a ducal mansion; also how another lady of title lost a diamond necklace. It was of title lost a diamond necklace. It was said that these conveyances of property as a judge and taking notes vigorously, could not have been inadvertant, seeing that expensive overcoats, costly lace shawls and other property were invariably replaced by shabby articles. In several cases the thieves were caught in the later was a sound as a judge and taking notes vigorously, so he continued:

"A circus proprietor does not, of course, pay for the wardrobes of the star performers. These must be furnished by them. Hence you see that, although to have produced more than \$6,000,000 in eighteen years.

When a man and woman are made one it is usually the man. Sometimes the fight is long and severe, however. the act, but protesting error, were per-

mitted to go on restoring the plunder. Time is now supplied to street clocks, ublic offices, hotels and private dwelfirst twenty seconds of every minute, as given by a standard timepiece, a current of the compressed air is allowed to flow circus it. through the pipes to the receiving clocks. By means of a small bellows, which is expanded by the transmitted air, the works of these clocks are kept going at a practical uniform rate. The street mains are of wrought iron, about in this regard; and when, in addition 11-16 inch in diameter, and these are a manager endeavors to continually number of clocks can be actuated in this

way within a radius of two miles from build and own a railroad train for show the central station. The Massachusetts board of health reports that adulterations of staple gro-ceries are not as common as the public have been led to suppose. For the purpose of test, the expert of the board took samples of flour, sugar, bread, soda, cream of tartar, and baking powders, obtained in stores in forty cities and towns. The flour was found in all in-stances to be wholly free from all foreign substances, and, with the ex- most people where it has been oftenest. ception of one or two coarse varieties of brown sugar, no adulteration was per-ceptible in that article; and in these isolated cases there was reason for thinking that the defects were due to facture. The soda examined, aithough sold under a variety of names, such as saleratus, bicarbonate, supercarbonate, and cooking soda, was all found to be much the same article, and nearly all of t good. The poor sods was that which had not been properly purified of the crude soda ash, but this sulphate is not injurious to health. Baking powders were found to be pure in twenty-four instances out of thirty-three. The adulteration consisted in an excess of flour or starch over that needed for mixing the soda and cream of tartar. There was also some alum found. In cream of tartar a considerable amount of adul-

"It was square work, was it?" 'It was, and your boy got licked."

And did he leave the barn on a run? did make me feel a little bad to hear he was bounced, but the most I feared was bounced, but the most I feared was twenty insects per day for each individ-that he had started on the run for home ual of this two-thirds, giving a total for and left me to load two barrels of salt .-

Detroit Pree Press. they, one and all, great and small, run bleating for the wheel, and the only trouble to contend with thereafter is the

RUNNING A CIRCUS.

Some Figures Showing the Cost and the

"After a circus is fairly on the road what are its daily expenses!" asked a Washington Post reporter of Mr. Tilling, the agent for Coup's circus:

"In small towns between \$2,000 and \$2,200 per day. The amount depends to a certain extent on the sums that are charged us for licenses to show and other charged us for licenses to show and other privileges. In cities the expenses foot up to nearly \$3,000 a day. The advertising and bill-posting is about \$1,000. We have 300 persons employed. We feed 225 of these in our cookient and seventyfive are quartered at the hotels cooking arrangements are admirable; we serve everything the best and in a

"Still, these are fancy salaries, are

they not?"
"Yes, to a certain extent. An ordiin addition there are 317 males of the tender ages of between eight and thirteen. Of girls thirty-six are employed between eight and thirteen years old, thirty-two of whom are in the Cornwall and Devon district. Of girls between thirteen and eighteen years there are employed 792, Cornwall and Devon employing 645 and the North-Wales district 106, the only other largely-employing district being that of Ireland, where twenty-seven are at work. Of girls above eighteen years old, there are 1,365 employed.

The London World made the startling discovery that kleptemania was common in fashionable society, and that thefts of jewelry, furs and wraps were frequent in the ball rooms and cloak with every one else Tom is particularly with every else the end with the highest salary \$25 a week. The end with the

With every one else Tom is particularly vicious, having maimed several of his grooms, but with his mistress he is as gentle as a kitten."
"How sweet!" mutt red our adoles-Mr. Pilling looked rather hard at the quilldriver, but the latter was as sober

Last season Mis heavy expenses. Katie Stokes bought 180 dresses. The rosin used on the horses' backs soon spoils a dress, and spoiled apparel is quickly noticed in the ring. The coscentral station, by means of compressed tumes used for the opening pageant are, air conveyed through underground of course, part of the circus properties, pipes. At the central station there is a each wearer being responsible for the reservoir of compressed air, and for the care and keeping of the dresses worn by

"I suppose the more enterprising a circus is the better it pays?"
"Yes, beyond a doubt. A show that keeps its vans new and bright and its canvas clean is always far more liberally patronized than a show of equal. merit which practices a false economy a manager endeavors to continually secure novelities to please the public. connected to service pipes of lead 1.5 inch in diameter, while the different stories of a building are supplied by rubber tubes one-eight inch in diameter. Any conveyance of a circus by railroad. I laughed at by other showmen for ex-travagance. When he started his new show he employed an agent, who said: 'Mr. Coup, you can never make money with a show.' He said: 'Why?' 'Oh, you run your business too aristocratic too extravaguntly.' He was surprised Mr. Coup had exhibited in precisely the same towns with increasing busines each year, so that now his show draws

Words of Wisdom. Envy is destroyed by true friendship, and coquetry by true love. Someremnants of good can be found in the most deprayed characters. Where power is absent, we may find

When love begins to sicken and decay, it useth an enforced ceremony.

Justice consists in doing no injury to circus performance given in that city, man; decency in giving them no otfense.

Chicago now exacts \$250 ior every circus performance given in that city, \$50 a day for each side show, and \$25 fense. fense.

The pungency of pleasure is as tranbrimming cup. Against general fears remember how very precarious life is, take what care you will; how short it is, last as long as it ever does. What would be the state of the highways of life if we did not drive our

thought-sprinklers through them, with valve open, sometimes.

About Lying. "Where were you when the first shot ras fired?" asked a Galveston lawyer.
"I was lying down on the sofa." Where was your husband?" "He was lying down on the gallery."
And your children—where were

they?"
"They were lying down on the bed, "Any other member of your family lying down?"

"Well, if my brother-in-law was here
I expect he would by lying down in the
court-house. He is a lawyer, unless he has reformed recently."

Professor Forbes, of Illinois, gives it is his opinion that at least two-thirds of the food of birds consist of insects, averthe year (which is surprisingly low) of 7,200 per acre, or 250,000,000,000 for the square inch of surface would cover an area of 40,000 acres. In connection with these figures the following estimates by Mr. H. D. Minot, one of the Boston naturalists, are interesting. He states that in Massachusetts alone there are annually destroyed not less than 50,000 partridges, 30,000 woodcock, 15,000 quail and 5,000 snipe, or 100,000 game birds while in the same State 250,000 wild birds (counting their eggs) are placed hors du combat. Mr. Minot places the number of birds annually destroyed in number of birds annually destroyed in the United States at 1,000,000,000 roughly estimated. According to the American Naturalist a young mocking-bird, raised from the nest, has been known to eat interest on investment, was about forty-

An exchange gives the following remedy for earache: Take a small piece West Point foundry. It was named the young mutof whom they wrote to me?"

The little minx cast down her eyes demurely, and said:

"It him you may, sir, if you wish."

But that very night after the lights were out, when I slipped out of the back door and went to the garden-gate of them hold his jaw.

West Point foundry. It was named the dollars on account. It's a thing about the wind and are to be give it in the course of their frolicsome gambols.—Los Angelos (Cal.) Express.

West Point foundry. It was named the man upstairs said it woman partly to vulgarity and partly to vulg of cotton wool, make a depression in the

I'am the Lad that Follows the Plow. I am the lad that follows the plow-Robin and thrush just whistle for me-In a hickory suit that's pretty well worn I go to the field at early morn,

I help to scatter the golden corn-Robin and thrush just whistle for me. Out in the meadows and woods and Isnes Robin and thrush just whistle for me-I watch the sheep and lambs at play: When the grass is high I toes the hav:

There isn't a boy in the world so gay-

Robin and thrush just whistle for me I go with father to shear the sheep-Robin and thrush just whistle for me-I fodder the cattle, the mangers fill, I drive a team, I go to the mill, I milk the cows with a right good will-Robin and thrush just whistle for me.

Robin and thrush just whistle for me -For I am the boy that can climb a tree; There isn't an apple to high for me, There isn't a nut that I can't seectobin and thrush just whistle for me When I am a man I'll own a farm Robin and thrush just whistle for me

I help the peaches it lums to save-

Stacks of wheat, and a barley mow; I'll be a farmer and follow the plow; Robin and thrush shall whistle for me. Tis better to stand in the golden corn-Robin and thrush just whistle for me-To toss the hay on the breezy lea, To pluck the fruit on the orchard tree Than roam about on the restless sea;

Horses and sheep and many a cow,

So, sailor boy, I'll follow the plow 'Tis better to hear the wild birds sing. Robin and thrush on the apple bous 'Tis better to have a farm and a wife, And lead a busy, peaceful life, Than march to the noisy drum and fife: So, soldier boy, I'll follow the plow.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The poet Tennyson is seventy-one years A man born at sea cannot be proud of his native land.—Picayune.

Ashland, Henry Clay's Kentucky homestead, has been rented at \$8 per

A London magistrate sent a man to prison for three months for cutting off a cat's tail. It is an old adage that the tongue cannot be easily bridled. But it is asily bit. The Nova Scotia gold mines are said

o have produced more than \$6,000,000

Thomas Sherlock, of Bedford, Ind. killed a spotted snake in his garden that measured six feet seven inches in length and four inches in diameter. The Massachusetts Society for the Pre-

mends that all kittens that cannot be pro-vided for be killed at birth. A murderer under sentence of death was baptized by immersion at Dallas, Texas. During the ceremony the sheriff tached to the prisoner.

Our people are putting in the winter's supply of coal, and we observe that those who have the greatest number of grown-up daughters are buying the most fuel.—Middletown Transcript. Dr. Glen, the California wheat grower

Horsemen believe that Maud S. will straight track will be necessary to prevent her running into the rear of own sulky .- Cincinnati Suturday Night. William Parish was told by the poormaster of South Toledo. Ohio, that he must take himself out of the town before nightfall, or he would be sent to the workhouse. "I'll do it," said Parish, and he swailowed a fatal dose of lauda-

when a rooster crowed in the yard, and leaning over he said: "Chanticlear." "I wish to gracious you would," she said, "I'm sleepy as; I can be." He took his hat and left, and hasn't been back

America last week. It lasted two hours, and then a truce was asked for and granted to look after the wounded, the robes of genius, but we miss the cause an awkward fellow in one of the armies had dropped his musket on a friend's corn.—Oil City Derrick.

for the concert in the teat after the regular entertainment. Thus a circus The pungency of pleasure is as tran-open afternoon and evening, with say sient as the foam that mantles round its five side shows, must pay \$675 daily into Curious are the means of self-defense with which animals and insects are provided. A butterfly, when apprehend-ing danger, never lights on a green tree

leaves, where it so adjusts its wings on a

twigs, as to look exactly like a shiveled

leaf, and defies discovery by its foe. "Have you got a bite, bub?" inquired a dignified old gentleman of a youthful fisher. "Not much of a bite, mister. Fish seems to know when old coveys is 'round watching 'em," and he whipped his line out of the water, and the hook flew very near the old gentleman's nose.

—New Haven Register. The production of nickel has assumed great importance in Norway within a few years. Eleven mines had been opened between 1861 and 1865, which yielded an

average of 8,450 tons a year. In 1875 ourteen mines had been opened, which furnished a maximum of 34,500 tons. The larger part of the yield is exported in the condition of ore, the rest is reduced on the spot. The death rate per thousand in foreign cities, at last reports, is as follows: Mor treal, 21.5 in 1,000; Havana, 60.9; Queenstown, Ireland, 41.7; Dublin, 30; Liverpool, 25.8; Paris, 25 5; Beriin, 52; Frankfort, 18.7; Brussels, 19.8; Copen-

hagen. 23.2; Rome, 26.6; Stockholm 29.6; Cauiz, Spain, 44.3: Langier, Morocco, 100.9; Calcutta, 19.7. Harris county, Georgia, many snakes. A gentleman living near Hamilton killed sixteen grown moccasins within a few hundred yards of on another. Another person moccasin and left it on the nillside. On his return a few minutes afterward he counted thirty-four little snakes crawling around and over the large snake. They are supposed to have been the old

and speak for themselves. The London Graphic attributes the

scream of a woman partly to vulgarity